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**REQUEST  
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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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<i>Application Number</i>	09/509,196
<i>Filing Date</i>	March 23, 2000
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<i>Art Unit</i>	1646
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<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	RICE-012

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission** required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 5, 2003.  
(Any unallowed amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other Consider the Declaration of Yasumichi Hitoshi Under 37 CFR §1.132 and arguments presented in the Response mailed February 5, 2003
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when RCE is filed.

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  - i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e)
  - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
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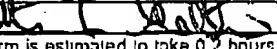
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